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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith is a copy of one (1) reference cited in the enclosed Office Action issued in a corresponding Chinese Patent Application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed an English translation of the Chinese Office Action from the corresponding Chinese Patent Application and a completed Form PTO-1449. Although the Chinese Search Report cites a second reference JP 09-129404, Applicants are not including a copy herewith as the reference JP 09-129404 was cited in a previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.

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Applicants respectfully request that the disclosed reference be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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